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## BY EMAIL ONLY

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Re: 2020 Triennial Review Public Comments

Dear Ms. Fullam:

The November 2, 2020 Notice of Public Comment Period on the Department's proposed amendments to the WQCC's surface water standards states that the comment period closes on December 2, 2020. Triad National Security, LLC and the United States Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Agency, in conjunction with Newport News Nuclear and the Department of Energy, Environmental Management, have been reviewing the draft amendments, particularly the proposed changes to 20.6.4.126 and 128 NMAC, and the proposed new 20.6.4.140 NMAC, applicable to perennial, intermittent and ephemeral stream reaches within the Los Alamos National Laboratory. Based on the initial review, we do not believe that a complete review of the draft changes and detailed comments can be prepared and submitted by the December 2<sup>nd</sup> deadline.

As a result, Triad and U.S. DOE request an extension of time until January 6, 2021 to submit comments. We noted that the Laboratory will be closed, as usual, between Christmas and New Year's Day. We believe that the extension until January 6<sup>th</sup> will not substantially delay the Department's work and will result in more complete comments from all interested parties.

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Please let me know if you need any additional information on our request.

Thank you for your consideration.

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